



THE WOODLANDS TOWNSHIP

The Woodlands, TX

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

MEETING DATE: July 18, 2013

SUBJECT MATTER: Montgomery Central Appraisal District Election

BUDGET IMPACT: N/A

BACKGROUND:

The Woodlands Township is treated as a conservation and reclamation district for the purpose of participating in the Montgomery Central Appraisal District (MCAD) election process. In the last election, The Woodlands Township was eligible to cast 283 votes for one of the two Special District candidates. Due to new legislation, the voting entitlements for our district have changed to 250 votes. The Township has 250 votes out of a total of 777 votes for all Special Districts. All of the Township's 250 votes will be cast for a single nominee. The Township's vote must be cast before August 15, 2013. The winner of this Special District election will advance to the October MCAD election, where all eligible entities will vote in a more complex voting process.

In the October MCAD election, the Township will be eligible to vote; however, the Township and other special districts will only be able to vote in the October MCAD election for the nominee that won the summer Special District election, regardless of whether the Township voted for this candidate during this initial process.

Attached to this memo are the election-related documents provided by MCAD, which include a memo from Chief Appraiser Mark Castleschouldt, copy of the official ballot, copy of the resolution casting the Township's votes and brief biographies of the two candidates on the ballot.

RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION:

Authorize a resolution casting votes for one of the Special District candidates and authorize the Chairman to sign the official ballot.

ATTACHMENTS

Memo/Mark Castleschouldt

MCAD Voting Entitlements for Eligible Special Districts

Official Ballot

Resolution

Bio/Biff Picone

Bio/Gregory Grant



MONTGOMERY CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT

MARK A. CASTLESCHOULDT, RPA, RTA, CTA
CHIEF APPRAISER

To: All Special Districts
From: Mark A. Castleschouldt, Chief Appraiser
Date: July 18, 2013
Subject: Official Ballot for Special Districts
for MCAD Board of Directors Election, 2014-2015 Term

Attached is the Official Ballot for the election of the Special Districts' candidate. Two nominations were received from the Special Districts, Carmen "Biff" Picone and Gregory Grant. The candidate who receives the most votes will be placed on the countywide ballot in October.

The board of directors of your district must determine its vote by resolution. Please return your ballot with the resolution of your vote **before August 15**.

Due to new Legislation, there may have been a slight change to the number of votes you receive. The new Legislation allows for the Junior College to participate in the election. Therefore, we have attached new "Voting Entitlements" for your district.

If you have any questions concerning the election, please contact me.

Attachments: Official Ballot
Resolution
Voting Entitlements
Biographies for Candidates

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MONTGOMERY CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT
Voting Entitlements for Eligible Special Districts
Board of Directors Election, 2014-2015 Term

District	Votes
Chateau Woods MUD	1
Clover Creek MUD	2
Conroe MUD 1	1
Corinthian Point MUD 2	2
E Montgomery County MUD 1	0
E Montgomery County MUD 3	6
E Montgomery County MUD 4	0
East Plantation UD	3
Far Hills UD	1
Grand Oaks MUD	2
Harris County MUD 386	8
Kings Manor MUD	6
Lake Conroe Hills MUD	2
Lazy River ID	1
Montgomery County DD 06	12
Montgomery County DD 10	6
Montgomery County FWSD 06	1
Montgomery County MUD 06	3
Montgomery County MUD 07	8
Montgomery County MUD 08	6
Montgomery County MUD 09	12
Montgomery County MUD 15	8
Montgomery County MUD 16	1
Montgomery County MUD 18	19
Montgomery County MUD 19	4
Montgomery County MUD 24	1
Montgomery County MUD 36	1
Montgomery County MUD 39	10
Montgomery County MUD 40	6
Montgomery County MUD 42	2
Montgomery County MUD 46	49
Montgomery County MUD 47	29
Montgomery County MUD 56	2
Montgomery County MUD 60	20
Montgomery County MUD 67	16
Montgomery County MUD 83	10
Montgomery County MUD 84	10

District	Votes
Montgomery County MUD 88	3
Montgomery County MUD 89	18
Montgomery County MUD 90	2
Montgomery County MUD 92	1
Montgomery County MUD 94	21
Montgomery County MUD 95	1
Montgomery County MUD 98	4
Montgomery County MUD 99	3
Montgomery County MUD 107	4
Montgomery County MUD 112	6
Montgomery County MUD 113	7
Montgomery County MUD 115	1
Montgomery County MUD 119	4
Montgomery County MUD 123	0
Montgomery County UD 2	5
Montgomery County UD 3	5
Montgomery County UD 4	9
Montgomery County WCID 1	7
New Caney MUD	8
Point Aquarius MUD	7
Porter MUD	9
Rayford Road MUD	19
River Plantation MUD	3
Roman Forest Cons. MUD	1
Roman Forest PUD 3	0
Roman Forest PUD 4	1
So. Montgomery County MUD	8
Spring Creek UD	19
Stanley Lake MUD	9
Texas National MUD	1
Valley Ranch MUD 1	6
Wood Trace MUD 1	1
Woodlands Metro Center MUD	16
Woodlands MUD 2	1
Woodlands Road Dist. 1	45
Woodridge MUD	1
The Woodlands Township	250

Total Special Districts Votes	777
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RECLAMATION AND CONSERVATION DISTRICTS
OFFICIAL BALLOT
MONTGOMERY CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION
2014-2015 TERM

Woodlands Township

Entitled Votes: 250

PLEASE CAST YOUR ENTITLED VOTE(S) FOR THE CANDIDATE OF YOUR CHOICE TO
BE PLACED ON THE COUNTY-WIDE BALLOT FOR THE MONTGOMERY CENTRAL
APPRAISAL DISTRICT'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

CANDIDATES

VOTES CAST

Gregory Grant

Carmen "Biff" Picone

Signature of Presiding Officer

Attach Resolution determining vote to this Official Ballot and
return prior to August 15, 2013 to:

JaclynS@MCAD-TX.ORG;
Montgomery Central Appraisal District
Attn: Jaclyn Smith
P. O. Box 2233
Conroe, Texas 77305;
(936) 539-8695 (FAX)

STATE OF TEXAS

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COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Woodlands Township (the "Township") is a special district previously certified by the Chief Appraiser of the Montgomery Central Appraisal District ("MCAD") as being eligible and entitled to cast **250 vote(s)** in the election of a candidate to be placed on the county-wide ballot for the Board of Directors of MCAD; and

WHEREAS, the President/General Manager of the Township has heretofore received from the Chief Appraiser a copy of the ballot listing all candidates; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Township has considered such candidates;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of The Woodlands Township that:

Section 1: The Board of Directors of the Township does hereby cast its vote(s) in favor of:

Section 2: The Chairman (or, in his absence, Vice Chairman) and Secretary (or, in his absence, Assistant Secretary) of the Board of Directors is hereby authorized to complete and execute such election ballot accordingly and to cause such official ballot, together with a certified copy of the Resolution, to be delivered to the Chief Appraiser of MCAD **before August 15, 2013.**

Section 3: This Resolution shall be and remain in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED this ____ day of _____, 2013.

/s _____
Chairman, Board of Directors

ATTEST:

Secretary, Board of Directors

Biff Picone Bio:

Biff Picone is a small business owner in Montgomery County. Biff and his wife Nadine, own Natural Pawz a natural pet food store for dogs and cats. In the past 8 years Biff and Nadine have grown Natural Pawz to over 12 locations in the area. In 2008/2009, they were named runner up pet retailer of the year by pet product news. In addition, Natural Pawz has been recognized nationally and locally as a leading retailer in natural pet care products and was recently named *Houston's #1 Pet Supplier* for the 6th straight year.

Prior to starting his own business, Biff had more than 25 years of experience in the high-tech industry, with a focus on business development and management. Biff's expertise is in developing and growing successful businesses.

Biff has been very involved in local activities since moving to the area in 1983. He has served as President of several boards and MUD associations, and actively pursues opportunities to aid local animal welfare organizations, forming strong and lasting community partnerships and philanthropic initiatives.

Since serving on the appraisal district board he has worked to ensure that operations are run as efficient as possible. During his time on the board, money unspent by the district has been returned to the taxing authorities many times. Biff believes it is important the special districts in this county have a seat on the board and would appreciate your support in re-electing him this year.

Gregory Grant is the business consultant for 2011, specializing in Information and how to identify, instructionalize and utilize technology to provide end to end delivery/facilitation of solutions. As a business owner, executive officer and successful engagement management provocateur, directing institutional, enterprise and fortune 500 organizations. He has provided "breakout performance" in all markets. By this meaning firmly establishing programs and solutions, outpacing others and demonstrating exemplary reliability to exceeding the goals of his clients. A coach and self help motivator, managing multiple projects from one to many constituents and members, having clear definition of impacts to client, and team in pursuit of excellence. He has accomplished this by premier business strategy and tactical evaluations and "right staffing". The results are the planning and empowerment of the mission. The "ready to deliver" unique skill and methods that have been proven to drive efficiencies of scale in business rejuvenation, growth, and achievement that is at once scalable and sustainable in any environment. For Clients, improvements and difficult culture transformations visualized, priorities assessed, service staged. Created delivery team and collaborated in the development of holistic solutions that have been executed and implemented through short term projects and longer term programs. Programs developed specifically focused on the explicit requirements of the client. Goal achievement that is measurable and applicable. Currently Management consultant to Shell Global for the Risk management program management office (PMO).

Serving our community I am currently member (16 years) of several boards, including HIMSS SCT (not-for-profit), Texas Nano-tech foundation, North Spring HOA, Legends Ranch POA, Spring Soccer club, Oak Ridge PTO and MUD District no#89. Held various positions including board director, President, Vice president, and held other board positions.

Hometown: Michigan City, Indiana

Education: Purdue University, BS, Industrial Management, MBA Business Administration. Attended, Harris County College – 50 toward Marketing Management

Career Highlights: Bethlehem Steel Corporation – Manager Operations, Union Texas Petroleum, Data Center Management, System Engineer, and International Director of Technology, Healthcare Technology Manager and Director, Columbia Healthcare and Christus, Keane Consulting, Principal consultant, Program Manager, Genuity, eservices director for USA, Strategic Network Consulting, Vice President of Operations and Sales, Verizon Business, Business Solutions Consultant. Comsys consultant, and WorldPMO consultant.

Personal Stuff: Married to Diana, my queen, 5 children, 2 oldest children (Son (4 super grandchildren), and Daughter (1 lovely granddaughter)) completed college education and have careers of their own. Second Son serving in the US Army; second tour of duty very proud of his commitment to our country. Youngest (Son) left SFA for US Army and is now serving in Afghanistan., Youngest (Daughter) happily receiving lots of wisdom from a devoted and loving family. And being the youngest providing an untold amount of current events education. My family is very busy, from music, band, soccer, football, dance, etc. We are an extremely blessed family with strong beliefs and a dedication to living right.

I served during the Vietnam Era in the US Army on completion of my BS, I was drafted. Studied hard throughout my deployment to Europe, continuing my education and completing my MBA on my return to Indiana. Moved to Texas in 1981, I am a naturalized Texan. I have played and coached sports my whole life, everything from basketball (Hoosier through and through) to racket ball, bicycle riding, water and snow skiing, to coaching basketball, baseball, and soccer.

Favorite teams: Team Grant, Dynamos, Arsenal, Chargers, and home town favorites: Rockets, Texans & Astros' (loyal fan)

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